

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

617

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1637

H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Culture & the Arts and Hawaiian Affairs,  
to which was referred H.B. No. 1637 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE TREE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to designate the 'ōhi'a lehua tree  
(*Metrosideros polymorpha*) as the official tree of the State.


Several concerned individuals supported this bill. A  
concerned individual opposed this measure. The Department of Land  
and Natural Resources offered comments.


After careful consideration, your Committees have amended  
this bill by designating the kukui tree (*Aleurites Moluccana*) as  
the official state heritage tree and the 'ōhi'a lehua tree as the  
official state native tree.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your  
Committees on Culture & the Arts and Hawaiian Affairs that are  
attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the  
intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1637, as amended herein, and  
recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto  
as H.B. No. 1637, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third  
Reading.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Culture & the  
Arts and Hawaiian Affairs,

  
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FAYE HANOHANO, Chair

  
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JESSICA WOOLEY, Chair





